

THE NEWS

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Senator Keyes on Senate Appropriations Committee

Senator Henry W. Keyes was accorded the honor lately of being elected to the Appropriations Committee of the United States Senate. The assignment as a member of the Committee on Appropriations was given him, it is said, as a recognition of his faithful and conscientious work in the Senate, the appointment coming really as a request on the part of the Senate to Senator Keyes to take up this work.

The Appropriations Committee, always the most powerful committee of the Senate, is even more so at the present time for now that the United States is operating under the budget system, all matters of appropriation for every department of the government are passed upon by this great committee.

It will be remembered that Senator Keyes, when he was Governor of New Hampshire, urged in his inaugural address the adoption of a budget system for his state, and he was a member of the committee which recommended the United States Senate which drafted the present budget law.

The great West has the chairmanship in the person of that veteran statesman Senator Warren, of Wyoming, and it is interesting to note that there will be upon this important committee, in addition to Senator

Keyes, but one Republican member east of the State of Florida. All the other members of the committee are from the southern states.

Membership upon the Appropriations Committee of the Senate is the privilege of the committee assignments and is considered a preferential designation. Last year the committee passed upon a budget which today, for the first time in its history, the State of New Hampshire has a representative upon both Senate and House Appropriations Committees. Senator Keyes in the Senate and Congressman Wason in the House.

Moses Planned at Strong Republican Support on Coast

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—"What did you and the pleasantest part of your California trip?" queried Senator Moses within a few minutes of his return to Washington after a month spent on the Pacific Coast. "The Cross-Cut Mine," he replied.

"There was great enthusiasm throughout the tremendous Republican majority that re-elected Senator John.

Senator Moses has come back in splendid health and has gained so many pounds through the thorough enjoyment of the good food and drink that he does not deny the charge of having "grown fat" when groups of Senators gathered around him on his first appearance in the Senate chamber.

He was warmly and gave him a rousing cordial welcome.

It was noticeable, looking down from the gallery, the cordiality of the so-called "regulars" was no greater than that of those honorary obstructionists who had been gathered here to witness the farm bloc group. The whole Senate admires the fearless, outspoken, able senior senator from New Hampshire, who does not let either his views or his recognition as a leader of his party—a man who isn't afraid to give or take a blow, but who always stays strong and fair and never lets either his head or his heart

BIGGEST ISSUE ON RECORD
Twenty Pages of Interesting Matter
Presented to Readers of The
News This Week

The Meredith-Sandwich News will print on Saturday, December 12, a special issue consisting of twenty pages sent out from this office, thanks to our new equipment which permits a work of this magnitude to be accomplished in a timely manner of Meredith.

Readers will find:

Seven or more pages of pure Christmas matter for old and young.

One of the Maloon articles on Meredith, past and present.

Sketches from the pen of E. H. W. comly, including:

"When Hans Beede Played Santa Claus."

"The Old Almanac Maker."

"The Electrical Age."

"Gossips Part II."

Contributed sketches from many surrounding towns, from Holderness to Whiteface.

The Cross-Cut Mine.

State news, general news, short stories, etc.

Announcements from wide-awake merchants who buy goods and sell them at prices to attract buyers to Meredith.

Art, but not least, the cover design, drawn by Norman Rockwell, the famous artist who adorns the cover for the Saturday Evening Post, the Country Gentleman, and other publications.

Winona

John Pollard's brother, his wife, and son Stanley, from Haverhill, Mass., visited him last week.

Cornelius Langly is in town again. Mitchell Bassett and Frank Sirel are here.

Deer hunters are plentiful, but report no deer.

Charles Salkins is working for Will Howe.

A blushing bride and groom went honeymooning in Meredith this week when Mr. and Mrs. Karl Ward of Roxbury, Mass., visit here. Their wedding was on Saturday, November 28.

They were due here at noon Saturday. Mrs. Ward is well known here as Miss Josephine Hayward. Mr. Ward has been from Boston, where he spent summer and fall. He is an officer in the State Treasurer's office, Boston.

Read the News War Ads

GLANCING OVER
MEREDITH'S PAST

E. H. Maloon, the Village Blacksmith, Delves Into Local History

Editor News:

When I started these letters it was distinctly understood that I was to write on memory for material to dates. In this history of Meredith I had no time or desire to look up what I try to write. I give it as I remember it. If anyone will give me slight anyone I am willing to be forgotten and will get it right if you will give me facts showing that I am not right.

Sixty or more years ago I remember Capt. Dan Smith, who then owned the Chet Bickford station. He was a large, powerfully built individual. I think at that time he was a man of leisure with not much business to look after. I remember Capt. Dan's son, Tom, who sold goods in the old San Barn building. He may have owned the store. I remember of his offering honey to some ladies which they returned. I also remember Capt. Dan's son, Tom, who used to go down and play with her when I was a little shaver. Capt. Dan was then buying the barn that is there now. We passed the carpenters by climbing over it, thus risking a broken leg or neck. They would drive us away.

I also remember the Gob girl who lived there. I do not seem to remember what became of this family. I remember a man that they once used to call Joshua and his wife who used to sing to him after this fashion:

"Trow up a pumpkin, down came a man, and trow it all to pieces and out popped Josh!"

This made the poor fellow mad and we had to seek safety in flight.

I think Geo. G. Hoyt, Jr., next lived here. This is the Hoyt who married Mary, the girl I mentioned in a previous letter. He was then a clerk, I think in Henry Prescott's store. Later he became a drummer for a firm in Boston, which work he

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START NOW

Do Your Christmas Shopping EARLY

AND DO IT AT

THE OLD BEEDE STORE

We have absolutely the largest stock and greatest variety of merchandise under any one roof in this vicinity.

Here are a few suggestions for practical Christmas Gifts:

Ladies Fancy Combs	Skiis
Toilet Articles	Sleds
Purses	Neckties
Silk Hose	Sweaters
Canisoles	Ready Made Pequot Sheets
Shirt Waists	Ready Made Pillow Cases
Comfy Slippers	Trunks
Handkerchiefs	Suit Cases
Scars	Umbrellas
Fancy Box Stationery	Wash Dresses
Thermos Bottles	Boys' Blouses
Flash Lights	Men's Dress Shirts
Gloves	Men's Wool Shirts
Mittens	Fancy Underwear
Mackinaws	Blankets
Sleek Lined Coats	Quilts
Heavy Artics	Toques
Leggins	Fancy Beads
Moccasins	Congoleum Art Squares
Snow Shoes	Congoleum by the Yard

You will find the items mentioned above and many more in our stock

IN OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT

Christmas Candy
Nuts of all kinds
A Good Line of Fruit
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Baldwin Apples
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Meredith

Successor to J. W. Beede & Co.

SELECT YOUR GIFTS FROM OUR BIG CHRISTMAS STOCK

USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN AND BOYS

Bath Robes, Camel Hair Scarfs, Silk, Madras, Repp, Fibre, Silk, English Broadcloth Shirts, Wool and Silk Hose, Belts, Suspenders, Handkerchiefs, all kinds Men's Jewelry, also a very BIG LINE OF TIES.

AT STANLEY'S

Home of Hart, Shaffner, Marx Clothes
MEREDITH, N. H.

Center Sandwich

Mr. Harry Clark of Winchendon, Mass., was in town for a few days last week, returning to his home Sunday.

One of the buildings on the James Bowditch farm, occupied by men who are cutting the timber, caught fire recently. The flames were quickly extinguished, however, and the damage was small.

Miss Mabel Quimby of North Sandwich was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wal Marston Saturday and Sunday. Miss Quimby, as reported by radio from New York, Iowa, Indiana and Colorado, was a racing driver. Mr. and Mrs. Marston, who have recently had the radio installed in their home, and affording much pleasure to their visitors.

Miss Alfred Moonhouse of Brookline, Mass., spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Blanchard, Lewis Garland of Cambridge, Mass., was in town for a few hours Sunday. Sylvander Pettengill returned from Boston.

A car owned by Harry Blanchard, caught fire a few days ago, but the flames were quickly extinguished.

Mr. Melvin Allen of Franklin, N. H., and Sandra, were weekend visitors in Sandwich.

Plaintain has moved some of his household effects in the Ralph Buckley house and will do telephone repair work in Sandwich this winter.

Miss Fred Burrows attended the State Grange held at Meredith this week.

General Smith, Nat Burrows and Seavance Bryant each shot a deer.

Mr. Fred Budgett recently visited his daughters in New Hampton.

Mr. Smith, who has been sick ill for several weeks, is improving.

Miss Lillian Mudgett is visiting her sister, Mrs. Herman Fogg, in New Haven.

Mr. Schaffer of Laconia spent several hours in town Thursday.

Miss Edith Quimby, who has been

About this time
of Year

many conservative investors, both large and small, are very carefully considering the placing of a certain amount of their funds in some good substantial proposition where they will get a good return on their money.

TIMES CHANGE! Two years ago 4 p. m. was a fair return on your savings. Today's living costs are nearly double what they were at that time. You should invest your money so that its earnings will make up for this difference.

The Holbrook Grocery Company, now established and growing New England corporation, with their first wholesale grocery house at Keene, N. H., and later establishing distributing points at Woodsville, Nashua, Laconia, Claremont, N. H. and Burlington, Vt., are now offering \$300,000 in 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock A, par value \$100, dividends payable quarterly, by check mailed direct to stockholder, February 1st, May 1st, August 1st and November 1st.

THIS STOCK IS PREFERRED BOTH AS TO DIVIDENDS AND ASSETS

Write us for further particulars

THE HOLBROOK GROCERY COMPANY

Wholesale Grocers

St. James & Lamson Sts., Keene, N. H.

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Merrill Optical Co.

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Laconia, New Hampshire

Next to Theatre. Both Phone

Received a New Lot of
Men's Clothing
Wonderful Trades

Full line Men's Trousers, all kinds
Good values in Men's and Boys'
Sheepskin Coats

Flannel Shirts and Mackinaws
Nice line Men's, Boys' and Children's Underwear

New lot of Men's Caps, 75c. to \$1.00
Extra Bargains

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Double

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CHRISTMAS

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CHINA
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NEW PERFECTION OIL COOK
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COOK STOVES AND HEATERS
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TINWARE
ERIE IRON WARE
POST CARDS
TOYS
GAMES
DOLLS
COVER WAGONS
KIDDIE KARS
BASKETS
BALSAM PILLOWS
HAIR NETS
PURSES
SOUVENIRS
FLAGS, PENNANTS

Geo. F. Sanborn & Son
The Rexall Store, Central Square

Meredith, New Hampshire

The Cross-Cut

By Courtney Ryley Cooper

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CHAPTER XX

Quickly, as though nothing had happened, the three men went down the stairs, passed the sleeping night clerk, and headed back to the sheriff's office, where waited Anita and Harry, who had completed their last duties in regard to the Charles-Orson Masons' demands. The telephone jangled. It was Denver. Mason talked a moment over the wire, then turned to his fellow officer.

"They've got Barnham. What's more, he had close to a million dollars in currency, and I demand him." Queen didn't better sit up some hours now and chase along, hadn't she?"

"Yes, and get a gentle one for me," cautioned Harry.

"I'll go for you, too," laughed Fairchild.

"And me—I like automobiles better," Anita was twisting her hair long into a braid, to be once more shaved under her cap. The start was made. A detour, however, led them westward, where the pruners' heads down against the wind, horses snorting and coughing as they forced their way through the big drifts, each following another for the protection it afforded. They were at the trailhead two hours—then finally the lights of Ochard.

But even then the trail was not difficult. The little town was asleep; hardly a light shone in the windows beyond the headlights of a horse leading up the principal thoroughfare and on out to the Georgetville road. Onward until before them was the broad, rat-ridden old roadhouse which formed Long's dormitory, and a light was gleaming within.

Silently the pursuers dismounted and started forward, only to stop short. A scream had come to them faint in the bluster of the storm, the racking sound of a gun, a tempest of snow. Suddenly the noise seemed to abate in the old house. It showed first at one window—then another—as though some one were running from room to room. "Once two guns," said Fairchild, "and then one." Suddenly the noise was willing to him. The poor old thing was crazy."

"The poor old soul!" there was aching sympathy in Anita Richmonde's voice. "I can't help it if she was willing to him. The poor old thing was crazy."

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"I think so, too," Anita Richmonde laughed.

Fairchild looked down at her and smiled.

"I guess that's the answer," he said. "I guess that doesn't include the Rosine stock. In other words, we give a lot of disappointed stockholders par value for about ninety cents on the dollar. But Farrell can look after all that. He's got to have someone to look after him busy as attorney for the company."

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"I promise," she said, "that I'll tell you about the Denver road."

He leaned close.

"That isn't all you promised—just before I told you speak it all out," he gurgled. "I need every word."

Anita's eyes snapped.

"Well, I don't know that's any good, but I'm standing behind the closing doors listening to you and Mother Howard gushing like a couple of sick doves."

"That's odd," murmured Harry.

"I told you, I ain't got a word to say."

Anita laughed.

"Persons who live in glass houses, you know. But about this explanation. I'm going to ask a hypothetical question. Suppose it be my son, Fairchild, who was killed in the house—"

"The explanation," Fairchild, an instant later, was being pulled up from Denver, not to come down and get it again. "Sheriff, I've got to make a confession. My father always thought that he had killed a man. Not that he told me—but I could guess it easily enough, from other things that happened. He found a single-jointed bullet lying beside him, and Larsen's body across him. Couldn't naturally believe that he had killed him while in a daze. He was afraid of Rosine, and had a breaking party and strung him up. Harry and Mrs. Howard helped him out of town. And this is the explanation!"

"Don't talk them from me!" cried the insane woman. "I tried, didn't he? And where's he now—up there burning! He hit me—and I threw the lamp at him! He wanted my body, and wanted to have them away from me—but he wouldn't let me—And see can't have them—he left—let go of my arm—let go!"

She bit at them. She twisted and writhed them with her gray head. She screamed and squirmed—almost to weaken. Slowly Harry took her arms aside and took them from the pell-mell contestants—whatever they might be. Grimly old Sheriff Mason wrapped her in his coat and led her to a horse, and then made his mount and rode with him into town. This—with Squint Rodman—was gone.

Back in the office of Sheriff Fairchild the books were opened, and Fairchild uttered an exclamation.

"Harry, you're about to be buried at the coroner's hands! See if there's any care along early in July—about the time of the inquest!"

Bardwell turned the closely written pages. At last he stopped.

"Testimony today at the inquest! He's got it! I like to have made my do it. I never saw anybody quarreling. Besides, I did it myself!"

"What's she—did—did it herself?" the sheriff looked up. "Guess we'll have to let her have her day."

"First, let me see how interrupted. See if there's an item under November 9 of this year."

The sheriff searched, then read: "Dug a grave tonight."

With banners before him. When he went,

a little sigh. Bardwell closed the book and looked out at the dawn, forcing his way through the blinding snow.

"Yes, I guess we'll find a lot of things in this old book," came at last. "But I think right now that the best thing of us can find is a little sleep."

"Rest—rest for five wearied persons, but the rest of contentment and peace. And late in the afternoon, three of them were gathered in the old-fashioned parlor of Mother Richmonde's boarding house, waiting for the return of that dignitary from a sudden mission upon which Anita Richmonde had sent her, involving a trip to the old Richmond mansion. Harry turned away from his place at the window, and the others did likewise, and had a long talk with Barnham," he announced, "and 'e's figured out a way for all the stockholders in the Silver Queen to get what's coming to them. As it is, they's about a 'undred thousand short something."

Fairchild looked up.

"What's the scheme?"

"To call a meeting of the stockholders and transfer all that money over to a special fund to buy Blue Poppy stock, which will raise money enough to pay off the mine like we ought to. And it'd cost something."

"Then you'll be able to get the mine without Sissie Larsen having anything to do with it. Sissie has got up to the point where she's a real scamp, and hasn't told Fairchild about it, because he thinks Fairchild will go partnership with him and help him buy in. But Fairchild won't do it. He wants that extra money for me. He told me he'd do it, but I told him no."

"But that's when he wants me to do something. If he keeps him his promise I'll fix the mine so they won't get out."

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Accessories Are Important;

Juvenile Knitted Apparel

THE art of good dressing is largely a matter of accessories. A costume is made or marred by the little details, the girdle, the collar, the headdress and the like.

To be right in the Paris mode one ought to have a bit of banlana printed silk somewhere about one's frock, and it is this very gay banlana motif which enhances the favorite Oliver Twist suit, entirely knitted, such as is shown here. Every little boy in the land who sees this picture will probably want to find and say, "I want a suit just like that."

Knitwear outerwear departments and children's specialty shops carry these Oliver Twist suits in all the best colors, tan, gray, brown and navy be-

ddies has been brought to such a fine point of production that it includes all that can be wished for in appearance, with practical qualities.

Now jolly is it, of a cold winter morning, to wake up out of bed just a bit before dawn. And thinking the while of your jolly accessories, to name a few, To kindle a flame on your jolly old hearth, and it is merry! Sing, "Jolly old tucker."

Where now is the lark? I am up before him. I chuckle with a laugh at quaint little white birds, and sing, "I made up the fire—pray heaven it catches!"

But what is the world have done with the matches?

Ah, me! it is merry!

Sing, "Jolly old tucker."

What's new in the bark? I am up before him.

I chuckle with a laugh at quaint

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Christmas Facts and Fancies



By JOHN DICKINSON SHERMAN

HIER WISE MEN, as everyone knows, paid homage to Jesus when he was born in Bethlehem, as is told in part thus in the Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the King, behold, there came wise men from the East to Jerusalem,

Saying, where is he that is

born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the East, and are come to worship him.

When Herod the King had heard these things, he was afraid, and so were all Jerusalem with him.

And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea,

for thus it is written by the prophet,

and thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Judea, are not the least among the princes of Judah; for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule over my people Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privately called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And they said unto him, To Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for this young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed, and, lo, the star, which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

And when they had seen him, they returned to their own country another way.

These Three Wise Men were named Melchior, Kaspar and Balthazar. They are sometimes called the "Three Kings of Cologne." These three are said to rest in the cathedral of Cologne. This is the famous cathedral of Gothic architecture. Its towers and its building took more than 800 years—1248 to 1520. Anyway, skills purporting to be theirs were exhibited as late as the Eighteenth century. To touch them was to be healed. An old prayer reads:

To three kings,
Kaspar, Melchior and Balthazar,
We pray for you.

Early tradition supplemented this account by adding a fourth wise man. And the story of this fourth wise man is one for us all to keep mind at Christmas time.

This fourth wise man started with the other three to make the journey to Jerusalem and pay homage to the newborn King. But he never reached the manger where lay the child. Instead he sacrificed his life to render service. Never that he did he grow up in a nation of the Christ. Henry Van Dyke's "Story of the Other Wise Man" tells the tradition most excellently well:

Detained by his efforts to save a dying stranger, Aristan became separated from his companions. He had been sent by the Christ alone, traveling from place to place, feeding the hungry and poor, clothing the naked, nursing the sick, comforting the oppressed.

One after another he spends for others the precious gifts which he had hoped to offer to the Christ. Finally he stumbles upon a remaining pearl in order to ransom a tormented slave girl.

Struck on the temple by a falling tile, he lies bleeding and breathless. But he bears a voice commanding him.

Unable to believe the testimony of his own ears, the other three Magi return to Jerusalem.

"Now, my Lord! For whom saw I Thee an hungered and fed Thee? Or thirsty, and gave Thee drink? When saw I Thee a stranger, and took Thee in? Or naked, and clothed Thee? When saw I Thee sick and in prison, and came unto Thee?" These thirty-three years have I looked after Thee, but I have never seen Thy face, nor ministered to Thee my King!"

But the voice replies:

"Inasmuch as thou hast done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, thou hast done it unto me."

It is hard to imagine the Fourth Wise Man re-

appearing on earth at Christmas time with a message for all mankind! Certainly he has a message very important to us all just now. And certainly it is a message well worth listening to. For from his experience he could say to us:

You have served God only as you have served me.

The Christian citizen should be serving God in relation to his home, his community and his nation. There are those who are serving God by trying to improve the conditions under which their less privileged fellow live and work, by trying their best of justice, beauty, peace and love into the life of the world. It is to be feared that most of us fall far short of this. It is to be feared that Christ was born in Bethlehem.

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Some of the biggest and oldest of them are 35 feet in diameter and at least 5,000 years old. So you see many of these Big Trees and Sequoia and Yosemitic trees are still around even middle-aged when Christ was born in Bethlehem.

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Christmas and mince pie! Nobody ought to want to tell everybody that Christmas is the time for mince pie. Why, there go two to town—just Thanksgiving and pumpkin pie and the birth of July and spring lamb and green peas. The first mince pie of the winter should grace the Christmas board; any housewife who gives her family even a taste of one before Christmas day should go without the name of housewife. And any man who eats mince pie at a restaurant or at his club before Christmas day should go without mince pie all winter.

However, if he should, his punishment would likely fit the crime. For nowadays the making of mince pies is largely a lost art. The ordinary restaurant makes them.

There is a saying that even really good women cook must have a temper. Maybe. Certainly she should be nice and plump—as if she ate her own mince pies and thrived on them. And it's easy to tell by watching a woman make mince pies whether she is a good cook or not. If she does it well, she is a good cook. If she does it poorly, she goes at it, you know, as if it were sort of a religious rite—as if the fate of the nation hung on her work—why, all is well.

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But what do you think about this unusual picture. What kind of a gift do you suppose the Christmas gift depended upon your guess. That's because it is the only one of its kind in the whole world.

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Do you remember Isaac Walton's friend Dr. Boteler and his famous appreciation of the strawberry? Well, it's quite evident the good doctor never sat down to just the right kind of a Christmas tree on his lawn. And when he got it, he said, "What a gift! You could not give me a better Christmas gift than this." That's because it is the only one of its kind in the whole world.

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The American Legion

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DR. BLOOD WON ARMY HONORS

National Vice Commander of Legion, Only New Hampshire Physician Who Was Decorated.

Advancing with the first wave of Infantry and establishing his first aid dressing station near a new stone fortification at Chateau d'Ufford, Dr. Robert O. Blood, 30, of Concord, N. H., national vice commander of the American Legion, was awarded the D. S. C., Croix de Guerre, and a divisional citation for bravery. Dr. Blood is the only New Hampshire dough boy at present who has been decorated. He rose from first lieutenant to major during his World war service.

Placed on active service August 4, 1918, Dr. Blood sailed for France in September with the One Hundred Fourth Field hospital attached to the Tenth Division. He was promoted to captain in March, 1919, and transferred to the One Hundred First Infantry and the Chemin des Dames with the latter organization early in 1919. As battalion medical officer, Dr. Blood was with the One Hundred Third Infantry when it drove the Germans from Bellegem Woods to Trignac.

Later Dr. Blood was sent to Base Hospital No. 9 at Chateaux, to the American Red Cross Military hospital at Paris, and then returned to the Twenty-ninth division near Varennes, a divisional orthopedic surgeon.

Dr. Blood organized the Concord Legion post and commanded it for two years and one-half, with such success that it became the largest post in New Hampshire. He has served on the state executive committee and has been department commander and national executive committee man since January 1, 1922.

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Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes



Waiting for Supper at a Steam Oven.

(Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.)
On the Alaskan peninsula, out of reach of the world's explorers more than was the Yellowstone national park when it was established, Americans possess a wonderful national monument and potential rival to the Grand Canyon is the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes.

The valley is the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes, a wonderful area of steaming fumaroles unlike anything else in the world. This marvelous valley may be considered a by-product of the great eruption of Katmai volcano in 1912, one of the most stupendous volcanic eruptions in historic times. The existence of the valley was not even suspected until an expedition sent out by the National Geographic society to study other phases of the devastated area suddenly upon its myriad of fumaroles sending their faint wisps and roaring volumes of steam into the atmosphere.

This is one of the greatest wonders of the world, if indeed the very greatest, of all the wonders on the face of the earth, many of which cannot be described; only after one has spent many days within its confines does one begin to grasp the proportions.

One coming for the first time into the valley there seems but the thinning smoke between himself and molten matter below. Several times when members of the company accidentally put a foot through this place in the crust, steam came shooting out of the hole, forming a new rivulet. But it was always only foot or so apart, and the owner did not take long to get it out.

In many places the valley round about the vents is covered with a peculiar blue mud, thinly coated with a mineral wash, between itself and the innumerable fissures. There are readily seen to be two sets of these—bands of mineral dust, several together, running across the floor of the valley in parallel lines, and single central fissures, which crossroads all directions.

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White the smoke from the craters often oults, in vast, rolling clouds, that from the fissures often is silent and considerable pressure roaring and hissing. If the tenses pebbles into the mouths of these vents they are so buoyed up by the rising gases that they are either immediately spewed out again or they sink slowly down through the rising steam like feathers falling from the sky; the gases from them do no condense for several yards beyond the orifice.

FANTASTIC MUD FORMATIONS.

All of the vents, even the smallest, whether they be too high or too low, incrust the mud in their vicinity with copious deposits, giving the area a most fantastic appearance. These incrustations take all colors imaginable and in many cases give rise to very beautiful formations, some prevaricating like perhaps those due to the gray and green and yellow slums, which build out curious crystalline structures simulating lichens growing on the ground.

Over large areas the ground has been burned to a bright red by the heat. The variations in the intensity of the color produced are extremely beautiful, including, as they do, all shades of orange and brick red to bright cherry red. The ground is down to black, with occasional contrasting streaks of blue. This type of coloration is most pronounced in areas originally occupied by small fumaroles which have burned out. In places the ground has the appearance of having been burned with fire for a mile at a stretch.

The size of the vents and the quantity of smoke given off the valley is far beyond other volcanic districts that no other place can compare with it.

To attempt any catalogue of the individual vents or any description of them would be utterly futile. They vary all the way from microscopic jets of gas to mighty columns of smoke which cover entire horizons. To explore the valley thoroughly one becomes acquainted with the characters of the various vents would re-

POULTRY

REPLACING BUGS AND GREENS

Poultryman Must Provide Spring Substitute in Order to Secure Eggs During Winter.

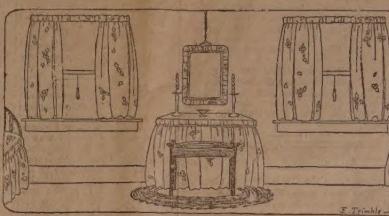
(Presented by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In the management of flocks it has been found that the largest profits are obtained if a good proportion of the eggs are laid during the winter. If two extra eggs a week can be obtained

CHEERFUL DECORATIONS FOR THE HOME By ELIZABETH TRIMBLE

(Ed., 1933, Western Newspaper Union)

THIS DAINTY BEDROOM AT LITTLE EXPENSE



The dainty bedroom pictured here may be duplicated at little expense by any housewife who is clever with her hands. Four green chairs contrast with apple blossoms draped the packing-box dressing table, the black enamel foot-bed forms the window draperies. The black bench may be bought secondhand, upholstered with the chintz; the beds may also be bought secondhand and cannulated. A shrub two inches wide with a cord in each edge is used around the top of the bed while a row of the edge of the beds and the dressers, table, and chair tips, mirrors the shrub. The dressing table top is covered with a piece of the chintz, over which ordinary window paper is pasted. The handknotted rug is made of the scraps of the chintz with a deep border of black. The candlesticks and powder dish are of rose-colored glass and the candle and mirror card are also rose.

EFFECTS OF SHADED LIGHTS ARE PLEASING

Sprouted Oats Are an Excellent Winter Green Feed.

from each hen, a good profit will be made, and if the product is increased by only one egg a week in value, this will mean enough extra for all the feed the hen eats, says a spokesman of the United States Department of Agriculture. To get this greater production use young hens of a good laying breed, and feed the right sort of ration.

For the production of eggs

on the farm is easy. Chickens are usually on free range where they get all the green and animal feed they need to make a balanced ration. They also get plenty of exercise and fresh air, and produce eggs year-round. In winter time, the feeder must provide substitutes for spring conditions.

Green cut bone, meat scraps, animal feed, fish meal or tankage furnish good substitutes for the insects and seeds.

Cabbage turns, beet tops, potato tops and other fresh green excellently feed the hens at little cost. Sprouted oats are also good, but require more care in preparation.

Grit is essential to the health of fowls and also to economy in feeding. Grit is the best food for the hens' teeth in a person's mouth—it helps prepare the food for digestion. An open box of this material should be kept in every yard. An abundance of fresh water is also necessary and should be kept in sanitary containers.

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Center Harbor

Shirley Bickford captured a small deer last week. He seems to be the only one in the village up to date to be successful.

Mr. W. D. Reel, State Secretary of the N. H. Sunday School Association gave a very interesting talk last Sunday evening at the Center Congregational Church in regard to his Sunday School work in this state. He is a fine speaker and holds the attention of his audience completely.

Mr. Filzen is at home again after being away for some time.

Fred Wayther has begun logging for Percy Kelly.

Ernest Perkins has rented his office and stable to parties that are going to sell the lumber on the Gold Club farm this season, for W. A. Mason.

Dr. L. B. Morrill has got the best of his caravans and is out again to Concord for the winter.

Dry wood is a very scarce article around this section, and the price is rising day by day, and still the farmer can't seem to see any way to get a little money.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bean announce the birth of a son, Kenneth Ardmore, on October 21.

This man has completed the Red Cross Annual Roll Call, and gone "over the top" with a membership of 121, which is more than a fourth of the total number of members in the country.

Almon Plummer is from Warren, N. H., where he has been on a long vacation.

Almon Plummer has many people with a broad outlook and an open hand for suffering humanity, and this is what we witness.

The chairman of the work wishes to thank the solicitors through their daughter, Mrs. Doe, for a few days.

out the town for their efficient work, and the public for their generous response.

Meredith Neck

Mrs. Lucy Dickinson of Wenham, Mass., is visiting her son, H. B. Dickinson, and family.

What's the use of going to the north country deer hunting when there are so plenty of them to be taken in one day on the Neck?

We are glad to be able to report that Bert Mead is improving.

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Mr. and Mrs. James R. Lovett have come to Grafton, where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. Doe, for a few days.

Meredith Locals

Notes From the Conference at Concord

The boys from Meredith will put their town on the map as far as the Boys' Conference, now in session here, is concerned. There are ten boys here and except two from Tilton the others are none from Belknap County besides the Meredith boys. Naslund and Clegg are the only yellows here, while Belknap will not be far behind. The City of Keene has only six more representatives.

The boy leaders are recognized by the conference leaders and the conference has elected two of the boys to office, Norman Piper is first Vice President and Will Neal is the credentialed Secretary. The delegation consists of Charles Stratford, Wm. Neal, Ralph Smith, Forest Land, and William Wilcox from the Bap. Church; Charles Bradford, Dr. Gordon, Lorin Barber, Paul Weeks and Charles Piper from North Church; Lawrence Wilkins, Randolph Morris, and Mabel Parker from the High School, Orrville J. Guppill, Jr., and Norman Piper from K. U. A., and count us a total of fifteen boys and girls from the town of Meredith. M. C. A. has a larger delegation, and the bunch that represents Meredith is the best for "pep", ability and attention to the business of the conference.

Employs County Veterinarian

Following an educational campaign put on by the Jo Daviess County, Ill., Farm Bureau, a county veterinarian has been engaged. The office of the county veterinarian will be in the Farm Bureau offices. The organization of townships for this work will be in the County Farm Bureau's hands.

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MEREDITH'S PAST

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old matters when I have to club my brains to remember what I did yesterday.

I think that Dr. Hosse went to the war and was killed. The store I know was to G. W. Morrison, who ran it as a store and family home for many years. Harry was think the first home of the telegraph in Meredith outside of the railroad station. The old wooden building was taken off the machine on strips of paper and I knew it was a mighty wonder to me when C. W. Morrison could be putting the log house down on the axle and chained. The team was then hitched on and the logs came to dry land. Sometimes the rear end of these logs would break off and sometimes they were dragged down to the old up and down saw mill where John McDaniel made them into dimension lumber. We boys liked to run over these logs. One day a brother of Mrs. John Roberts made a mistake and went down between the logs and was drowned.

This letter is now overlong so will close.

since he started for himself and for one I am glad as he is a fine square man to deal with. The only fault I ever hear of him is that he makes us pay dearly for what we get. We have over three thousand in a town hall which is much in demand.

In the old days water stood where the town hall stands. Logs dropped in the water around the Pond and Moses Morrison must not be removed until they reached her when they were floated on to a low wheeled ox rig which was backed up into the water and the logs were loaded on the axle and chained. The team was then hitched on and the logs came to dry land. Sometimes the rear end of these logs would break off and sometimes they were dragged down to the old up and down saw mill where John McDaniel made them into dimension lumber. We boys liked to run over these logs. One day a brother of Mrs. John Roberts made a mistake and went down between the logs and was drowned.

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President on State Civic Society Tax Committee

G. M. Putnam, President of the New Hampshire Farm-Bureau Federation, was recently appointed a member of the New Hampshire Civic Association tax committee, which will study taxation in this state, and in which all probability, will co-operate with the State Farm Bureau in the tax reform advocated. Mr. Putnam has recently been in attendance at one of these committee meetings.

Secretary Speaks on Tax Inequalities

Secretary H. Styles Bridges of the New Hampshire Farm Bureau Federation, spoke on tax inequalities in New Hampshire, at four of the County Farm Bureau annual meetings, which included the meetings at Rockingham, Strafford, Cheshire and Carroll County. Mr. Bridges explained the inequalities as found by the Farm Bureau tax committee.

Read the News Want Ads

"BLOC" Has New Program Two bills which are already reported out of Committee, and therefore should have the right of way on the floor, are the Ford proposal to lease the dam and operate the fertilizer plants at Muscle Shoals, Alabama, and the bill providing for an intermediate form of credit running from six months to three years. The Agricultural Bloc have definitely decided that their program will include the Ford tender, independent audit and the annual milk bill which already passed the House and is now in the Senate Agricultural Committee, and the bill raising the maximum amount that may be loaned to any individual by Federal farm loan banks from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

COLLECTOR'S SALE of Non-Resident Lands

State of New Hampshire, Belknap SS

Notice is hereby given that so much of the following real estate in the town of Belknap, in said County, belonging to persons not residents of the same, will pay the following taxes assessed upon each tract respectively for the year 1922, with incidental charges, will be sold at public auction on the ninth of December next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, unless prevented by previous payment.

Owner's name and description

Harry L. Chapman
1-2 Cottage and Lot
on Winnisquam \$ 750.00 \$ 16.35
W. H. Conner 18 acres
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Rocky Woods Lots
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Next comes Chet Allen's barber shop. I know Chet is a native of Meredith and he seems to be doing a thriving business.

Next comes the old Cataract Medicine shop. No body seems to know just what it is. It is owned by Guy Piper. A few years ago it was a poor boy living on a farm.

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